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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 42, line 7, after "cells", delete "is this" and replace with --this is--.

On page 42, line 12, after "HCV," delete --a--.

On Page 42, line 18, after "HCMV," delete --a--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 4, 8, 37, and 40 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b) by deleting the bracketed material and inserting the underlined material as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for determining susceptibility for an HCV anti-viral drug comprising:

(a) introducing a resistance test vector comprising a patient-derived segment which comprises a hepatitis C virus (HCV) gene and an indicator gene into a host cell;

(b) culturing the host cell from (a);

(c) measuring expression of the indicator gene in a target host cell, wherein the expression of the indicator gene is dependent upon the patient-derived segment; and

(d) comparing the expression of the indicator gene from (c) with the expression of the indicator gene measured when steps (a)-(c) are carried out in the absence of the HCV anti-viral drug,

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